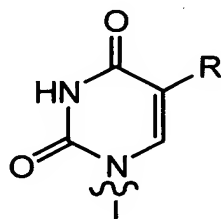


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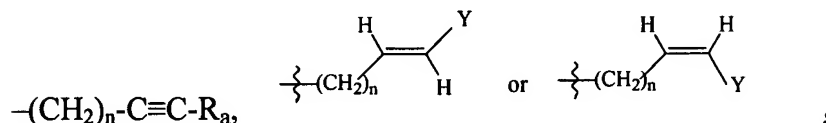
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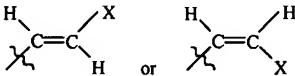
55. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 88 wherein B is



56. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 55 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is



57. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 56 wherein R is F, Cl, Br,

I, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> alkyl, -C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>,  and X is H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, F, Cl, Br or I.

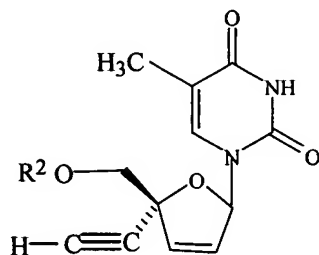
58. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 56 wherein R is CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>3</sup> is

-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>, n is 0 and R<sub>a</sub> is H.

59. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 58 wherein R<sup>3a</sup> and R<sup>3b</sup> are both H.

60. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 58 wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H.

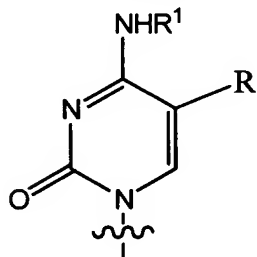
61. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 54 88 which is



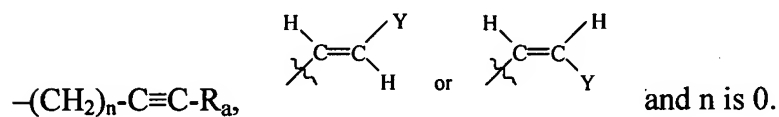
62. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 61 wherein  $R^2$  is H, an acyl group, a phosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate or phosphodiester group.

63. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 61 wherein  $R^2$  is H.

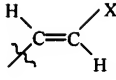
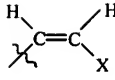
64. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 54 88 wherein B is



65. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 64 wherein  $R^3$  is  $\text{CH}_3$ ,



66. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 65 wherein R is H, F, Cl,

Br, I, CH<sub>3</sub>, -C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>,  or  and X is H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, F, Cl, Br or I.

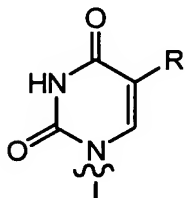
67. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 64 wherein R is CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>3</sup> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>, n is 0 and R<sub>a</sub> is H.

68. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 67 wherein R<sup>3a</sup> and R<sup>3b</sup> are both H.

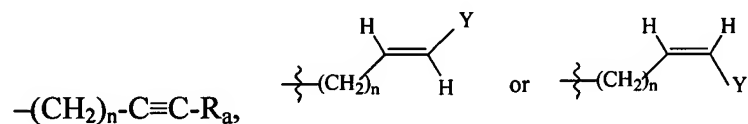
69. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 68 wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H.

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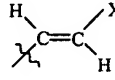
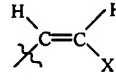
71. (Currently amended) The composition according to claim ~~70~~ 89 wherein B is



72. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 71 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is



73. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 72 wherein R is F, Cl, Br,

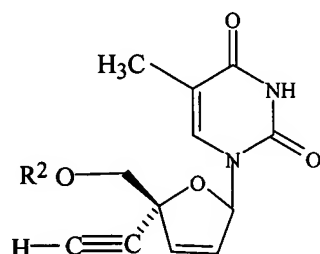
I, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> alkyl, -C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>,  or  and X is H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, F, Cl, Br or I.

74. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 71 wherein R is CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>3</sup> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>, n is 0 and R<sub>a</sub> is H.

75. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 74 wherein R<sup>3a</sup> and R<sup>3b</sup> are both H.

76. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 75 wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H.

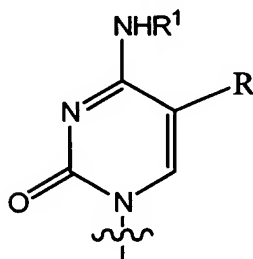
77. (Currently amended) The composition according to claim ~~70~~ 89 wherein said compound is



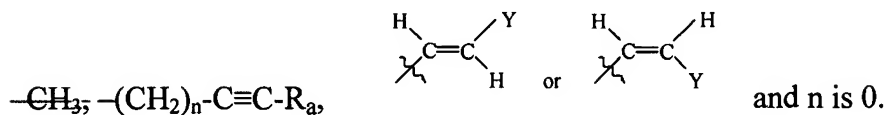
78. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 77 wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H, an acyl group, a phosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate or phosphodiester group.

79. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 77 wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H.

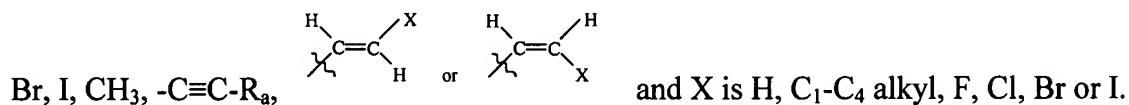
80. (Currently amended) The composition according to claim ~~70~~ 89 wherein B is



81. (Currently amended) The composition according to claim 80 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is



82. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 81 wherein R is H, F, Cl,

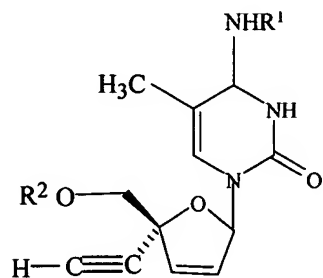


83. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 80 wherein R is CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>3</sup> is  $-(\text{CH}_2)_n-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{R}_a$ , n is 0 and R<sub>a</sub> is H.

84. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 83 wherein R<sup>3a</sup> and R<sup>3b</sup> are both H.

85. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 84 wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H.

86. (Currently amended) The composition according to claim ~~70~~ 89 wherein said compound is



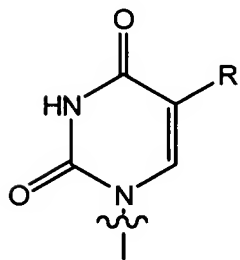
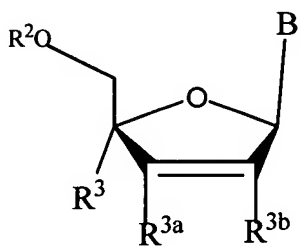
Where R<sup>1</sup> is H or an acyl group; and

R<sup>2</sup> is H, an acyl group, a phosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate or phosphodiester

group.

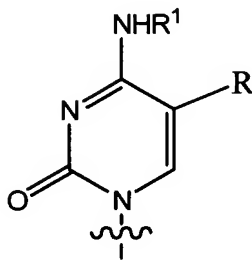
87. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 86 wherein  $R^1$  is H and  $R^2$  is H.

88. (Previously presented) A compound according to the formula:



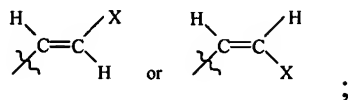
Wherein B is

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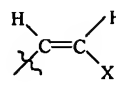


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R is H, F, Cl, Br, I,  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl,  $-C\equiv N$ ,  $-C\equiv C-R_a$ ,



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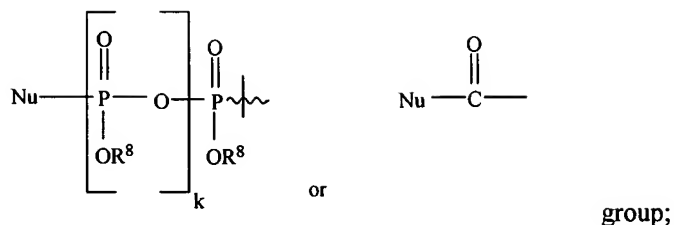


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X is H,  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl, F, Cl, Br or I;

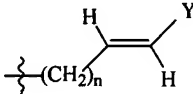
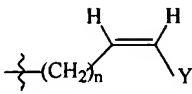
$R^1$  is H, an acyl group, a  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  alkyl or an ether group;

$R^2$  is H, an acyl group, a  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  alkyl or ether group, a phosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, phosphodiester group or a



Nu is a radical of a biologically active antiviral compound such that an amino group or hydroxyl group from said biologically active antiviral compound forms a phosphate, phosphoramidate, carbonate or urethane group with the adjacent moiety;

R<sup>8</sup> is H or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> alkyl or ether group;

R<sup>3</sup> is a C<sub>3</sub> or C<sub>4</sub> alkyl group,  $-(\text{CH}_2)_n-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{R}_a$ ,  or  ;

R<sup>3a</sup> and R<sup>3b</sup> are each independently H, F, Cl, Br and I;

R<sub>a</sub> is H, F, Cl, Br, I, or -C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl;

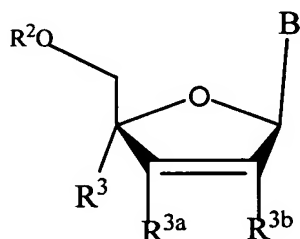
Y is H, F, Cl, Br, I or -C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl;

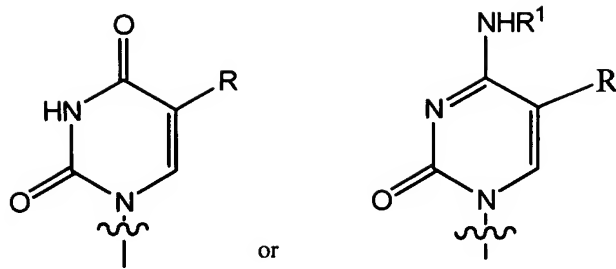
k is 0, 1 or 2; and

n is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5;

or an anomer, pharmaceutically acceptable salt, polymorph or solvate thereof.

89. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound for use in the treatment of a viral disease state, disorder or a condition associated with a viral disease state according to the formula:



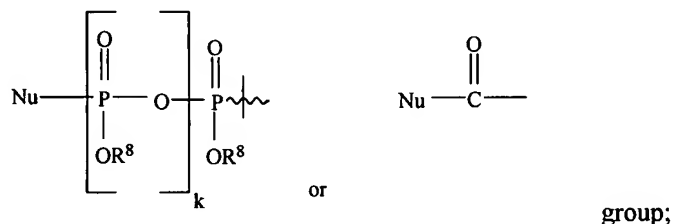


R is H, F, Cl, Br, I, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, -C≡N, -C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>, or ;

X is H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, F, Cl, Br or I;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, an acyl group, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> alkyl or an ether group;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, an acyl group, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> alkyl or ether group, a phosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, phosphodiester group or a



Nu is a radical of a biologically active antiviral compound such that an amino group or hydroxyl group from said biologically active antiviral compound forms a phosphate, phosphoramidate, carbonate or urethane group with the adjacent moiety;

R<sup>8</sup> is H or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> alkyl or ether group;

R<sup>3</sup> is a C<sub>3</sub> or C<sub>4</sub> alkyl group, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-C≡C-R<sub>a</sub>, or ;

R<sup>3a</sup> and R<sup>3b</sup> are each independently H, F, Cl, Br and I;

R<sub>a</sub> is H, F, Cl, Br, I, or -C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl;

Y is H, F, Cl, Br, I or -C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl;



k is 0, 1 or 2; and

n is 0, 1, 2,3, 4 or 5;

or an anomer, pharmaceutically acceptable salt, polymorph or solvate thereof in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, additive or excipient.